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1. [REDACTED] Talked to Mr. Ralph Burr, OMB, about S. 1887 and H. R. 8371, the bills introduced by Senator Church and Representative Badillo to amend the National Security Act to preclude the Agency from engaging in paramilitary-type activities. Burr appeared not to be aware of either of these bills, but when I explained them to him he felt that departments and agencies should not be too eager to respond to committee requests for views (since the committees were not pressing). He does feel, however, that both we and State Department should be developing a position against the bills which we should send to him for review in anticipation of developing an Administration view. Although I attempted to discourage it Burr seems to be of the opinion that the Agency should be the Administration's spokesman on this legislation since it deals directly with us. I agreed, however, this might be a topic for discussion by the Legislative Interdepartmental Group.

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2. [REDACTED] Checked with the House Internal Security Committee staff and verified that Al Solomon, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is a new member of the staff. Solomon is an investigator who has come to the Committee from the FBI.

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3. [REDACTED] Dorothy Fosdick, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations staff, called. She said Senator Jackson was returning to Washington tomorrow from the West Coast and asked her to get a briefing on the current situation with respect to the Soviet missile silo construction. She was under the impression that new information had recently become available. Later in the day I accompanied [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who reviewed the situation with her and brought her up-to-date and included the identification of several new silos.

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4. [REDACTED] Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, called and asked if the Director would be available to meet with Chairman Mahon and "a Republican member of the Committee" tomorrow for the purpose of discussing the "Pentagon papers" and bringing them up-to-date on any new developments worldwide. I told Preston the Director had returned from his trip abroad, but was presently out of the city again and was not expected back until Wednesday evening at the earliest. We subsequently agreed to the Director's coming up Friday morning. When I asked Preston for clarification about Mr. Mahon's interest in discussing the "Pentagon papers," he said the Chairman merely wanted to talk this situation over in general with responsible people in Government and since he had a high regard for the Director and his opinions he merely wanted to chat with him about it.

Mr. Preston also asked if we could make our budget presentation on Tuesday morning, 13 July. This session might run into the afternoon but it is doubtful that the afternoon session would be very lengthy since the Chairman has another commitment. Preston said he would like us to follow essentially the same format which was used in the Senate budget hearings, i.e., 15 to 20 minutes on the intelligence community budget and the balance on the Agency budget. I told Preston I would check both of these dates with the Director and be back in touch with him as soon as I could confirm them.

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5. [REDACTED] Delivered to Jack Norpel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, a summary of the material in Russian he had given us on 29 June. The material was not of much interest.

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6. [REDACTED] Mr. Tim Daze, in the office of Representative Barry Goldwater, Jr. (R., Calif.), called and asked that we arrange a personnel interview for [REDACTED] An appointment was made with Mr. [REDACTED] for 3:00 today.

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7. [REDACTED] Robert Hull, Department of State, called in connection with a letter written to the Secretary from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] a former employee of Radio Liberty who has been unsuccessful in the past in his attempt to have his service with Radio Liberty added to his former service credit with the Department of State so that he can qualify for a retirement annuity. Hull wanted to know our views on the prospects for remedial legislation such as had been earlier suggested by Senator Clifford Case (R., N.J.) to extend Federal employee benefits to the employees of the Radios. I referred Hull to the Administration's legislative proposal for continuing the Radios and maintaining their private character and suggested he might want to contact Assistant Secretary Abshire. Hull said he would do this. He also said that there was some sympathy within the Department for [REDACTED] position and singled out in this connection a Mr. Kendrick, who worked in the area of European political affairs. [REDACTED] OGC, and [REDACTED] [REDACTED] were advised.

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Mr. Hull asked if we had finished our review of the Omnibus Foreign Service Retirement Act amendments he had sent us. I told him that we were just about completed with our review and expect to get our report to OMB by the end of the week. He said he hoped we would not come up with anything that would complicate or delay progress in getting the legislation to the Hill (see Memorandum for the Record).

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